

Application No.: 10/736,981

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1 before line 1, please insert the following header:

--FIELD OF THE INVENTION--

On page 1 before line 4, please insert the following header:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

On page 2 before line 15, please insert the following header:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

On page 3 before line 24, please insert the following header:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

On page 4 before line 6, please insert the following header:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--

Please amend the paragraph on page 4, beginning at line 16 as follows:

The tubular body 3 of plug 1 has a crural expansion part 20 and an intermediate part 30 between the crural expansion part 20 and the bearing collar 2. The crural expansion part 20 is split along a plane containing the axis 6; it therefore comprises two slots ([20]21, 21') which divide it into two half-bodies (20', 20").

Abstract:

Please replace the current Abstract with the following new Abstract: